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UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

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IN RE APPLICATION OF: H. Lang and W. Seiboth

CASE: 3210x0116

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FOR: Rear-View Unit for Motor-Vehicles

Submission of Prior  
Art

ART UNIT:

ATTENTION OF:

EXAMINER

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS & TRADEMARKS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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Applicant herewith submits a list of prior art and a prior art statement, (PTO form 1449), which should be placed of record in the above identified application.

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It is believed that the present invention clearly distinguishes over the enclosed prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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### PRIOR ART STATEMENT

- 1.) EP-A-0 341 080 (UNITED TECHNOLOGIES AUTOMOTIVE, Inc. - claiming priority of USSN No. 191 097, filed May 6, 1988):

This document shows a vehicular door multiplexing system, in which a main multiplexing unit is located in the main vehicle body and a remote multiplexing unit is located in the door and electrically connected to the main multiplexing unit by a number of lines. In the multiplexing system according to this document there is no remote multiplexing unit in a mirror housing.

- 2.) DE 31 49 142 A1 (Wabco Westinghouse Fahrzeugbremsen GmbH)

This document shows the general scheme for a multiplex wiring system for vehicles comprising a central transmitting unit and several remote receiving units connected to the transmitting unit by a star shaped wiring system.

The remote receiving units control groups of vehicle lights, e.g. high beam, low beam and flashing lights of the right front side of the vehicle.

- 3.) DE 39 23 174 A1 (Kabushiki Kaisha)

This document shows a rear view unit for vehicles comprising an electronic signal processing system in the form of a microprozessor in the mirror housing. This document does not show any multiplex system.